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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application as amended. In a telephone interview with Examiner Levy it was determined that the specification text that was deleted in Applicant's Amendment After Final Action should be re-instated to bring the specification of this divisional application in conformance with its issued parent. Thus, Applicant has amended the specification to re-introduce the deleted material concerning the effective amount of castor oil for mole control.

It was further discussed that the recitation of the inert solid matrix in claims 30 and 32 was broad enough to encompass all materials so long as the matrix included one or more of the listed granular or powdered materials. Applicant has amended both claims to indicate that the inert matrix consists essentially of any one or more of the listed granular or powdered materials.

In addition, Examiner Levy expressed the requirement that the active ingredient recited in claims 30 and 32 be further defined. Consequently, claims 30 and 32 have been amended to incorporate the definition of the active ingredient found in claim 35. Claim 35 has been cancelled.

Applicant appreciates the efforts of Examiner Levy to place this application in condition for allowance. In view of these amendments it is believed that claims 22-24, 30, 32-34, and 40-45 are allowable and action toward a Notice of Allowance is requested.

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